

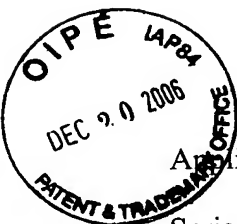
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PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Timothy Scott Shaffer

Serial No.: 10/630,251

Filed: July 30, 2003

For: APPARATUS AND  
METHODS FOR RINSING  
WASHING MACHINES

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Group No.: 1746

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Examiner: Stinson, Frankie L.

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**TRANSMITTAL**

- Transmitted herewith is:  
 Amendment Transmittal (3 pgs.), in duplicate  
 Amendment in response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2006 (7 pages)  
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**STATUS**

- Applicant  
☐ claims small entity status.  
☒ is other than a small entity.

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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
_____ first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
_____ second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
_____ third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00
_____ fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
_____ fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

\_\_\_\_\_ An extension of \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$\_\_\_\_\_

OR

- (b)   X   Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
	MINUS		=	x \$25.00 = \$	x \$50.00 = \$
TOTAL INDEP.	MINUS		=	x \$100.00 = \$	x \$200.00 = \$
—	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM			+ \$180.00 = \$	+ \$360.00 = \$
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

- (a) ☒ No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

- (b) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## FEE PAYMENT

5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_.  
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

## FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

- ☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.
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In response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.